

Disturb us, Lord: How to Pray Like a Pirate



Don't be forgettin' to talk to ye Cap'n. Have ye been gettin' too soft on the shores? Git out there an' **Pray Like a Pirate!**

Too often we be too comfortable with the crosses we bear e'ry day. We git too lilly-livered and cowardly, stayin in waters we know to be safe.

But yer Capt'n, the Christ Jesus, told ye to go out to all the world and preach 'is good news. To serve the poor. To trust 'im on the stormy seas of life.

So muster up yer courage and ask yer Capt'n to push ye out to the depths, where thar be monsters, storms, and big beasties of life that ye need to trust 'im, and not yer own strength.

In the words of the cur Francis Drake – counted as a scoundrel by all but the English, who went and knighted 'im for plundering under their colors:

*Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to the shore.*

*Disturb us, Lord, when
with the abundance of things we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.*

*Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wilder seas
Where storms will show Your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.*

*We ask you to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push back the future
In strength, courage, hope, and love.
This we ask in the name of our Captain,
Who is Jesus Christ.*

An' fly the colors on yer gut with the [Christian Pirate Shirt from Eternal Revolution](#).

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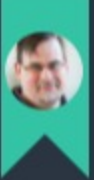
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